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POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
R+L Carriers Spill - Removal Polrep
Initial Removal Polrep

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Region V

Subject: POLREP #1
Initial
R+L Carriers Spill

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Reporting Period: March 5, 2022 thru March 6, 2022

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	NA	Contract Number:	
D.O. Number:		Action Memo Date:	
Response Authority:	OPA	Response Type:	Emergency
Response Lead:	EPA	Incident Category:	
NPL Status:		Operable Unit:	
Mobilization Date:	3/5/2022	Start Date:	3/5/2022
Demob Date:		Completion Date:	
CERCLIS ID:		RCRIS ID:	
ERNS No.:		State Notification:	Ohio EPA
FPN#:	1330341	Reimbursable Account #:	

1.1.1 Incident Category

Oil Spill Response

1.1.2 Site Description

On March 5, 2022, US EPA Region 5 was notified of NRC Report # 1330341. The NRC Report noted that 80,000 gallons of diesel was released from a 1 million gallon storage tank impacting 3 miles of Dutch Creek in Wilmington, OH. Dutch Creek is a tributary of the Little Miami River (Scenic River). The source of the spill was R&L Carriers in Wilmington, OH. The spill is within EPA jurisdiction.

On March 5, 2022, FPN#UCGPE22504 was established with US EPA OSC Steve Renninger responding. Ohio EPA OSCs Keith Wise and Toni Carmichael were on-scene.

1.1.2.1 Location

The spill location is R&L Carriers located at 600 Gillam Road, Wilmington, OH. The spill source is a 1 million gallon storage tank that contained 162,000 gallons of diesel oil. R&L Carriers reported a spill volume of 80,000 gallons.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

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1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

R&L carriers reported 80,000 gallons of diesel oil has been released and impacted 3 miles of Dutch Creek.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

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2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

On March 5, 2022, FPN#UCGPE22504 was established with US EPA OSC Steve Renninger responding. Ohio EPA OSCs Keith Wise and Toni Carmichael were on-scene. On March 5, 2022 at 2200 hours, OSC Renninger notified ORSANCO of the spill and requested ORSANCO to notify downstream water intakes.

On March 5, 2022 at 2300 hours, Unified Command was established with US EPA, Ohio EPA, Clinton County EMA, Port William-Liberty Township Fire Department, and R&L Carriers. US EPA issued a Notice of Federal Interest to R&L Carriers on March 5, 2022 at 2300 hours. R&L Carriers has agreed to fund the spill response and has mobilized five response contractors and established 7 oil recovery locations as of March 6, 2022 at 0300 hours. Operation Briefings were initiated on March 6, 2022 at 0300 hours and are being conducted every 3 hours. US EPA has established a PRFA with US Coast Guard for assistance as a Field Observer and documentation.

As of March 6 at 0500 hours, 3 miles of Dutch Creek has been impacted with diesel oil. The leading edge of the spill (Recovery Location #7 in Dutch Creek) has not been impacted and is approximately 10 miles upstream of the Little Miami River. Approximately 7,000 gallons of oil/water have been recovered and is being stored in frac tanks pending off-site disposal.

As of March 6 at 0600 hours, 7 recovery locations have been established. A total of 24,000 gallons of diesel/water have been recovered by contractors. Recovery was initiated in the secondary containment of the source Diesel Tank catch basin.

As of March 6 at 1500 hours, 7 recovery locations have established on Dutch Creek. A total of 42,000 gallons of diesel/water have been recovered by contractors. Operation Briefings continue every 3 hours. Diesel soaked sorbent boom and pads are being collected and staged in roll-off boxes for off-site disposal.

2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

US EPA issued a Notice of Federal Interest to R&L Carriers. R&L Carriers has mobilized five response contractors including: PES, First Call, Clean Harbors, Ardent, and Enviroserve.

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

<i>Waste Stream</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Manifest #</i>	<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Disposal</i>

2.2 Planning Section

No information available at this time.

2.3 Logistics Section

Gurneyville Road has been closed by Clinton County Highway Department.

A staging Area has been established at the R&L Carriers Maintenance Building parking lot.

2.4 Finance Section

2.4.1 Narrative

FPN # 1330341 was established on March 5, 2022 for \$25,000 ceiling.

US EPA issued a PRFA to US Coast Guard for \$10,000 on March 6, 2022 to assist as a Field Observer.

2.5 Other Command Staff

2.5.1 Safety Officer

A Health & Safety Plan was established by PES on March 6, 2022.

2.5.2 Liaison Officer

2.5.3 Information Officer

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

Unified Command was established on March 5, 2022 at 2300 hours including:

US EPA

Ohio EPA

Port William-Liberty Township Fire Department

Clinton County EMA

R&L Carriers

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

4. Personnel On Site

US EPA 2

USCG 1

Ohio EPA 2

Clinton County EMA 1

PWLT Fire Department 2

R&L Carriers contractors 31

5. Definition of Terms

No information available at this time.

6. Additional sources of information

No information available at this time.

7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.